

Permit Application Review Timelines

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Pursuant to Burien Municipal Code (BMC) Section 19.65.050 and Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Section 36.70B.080, the City of Burien's goal is to issue a decision within the time periods listed below. **These time periods begin when a complete application is submitted and are extended when additional information is requested by the City.** To assist applicants, we are providing with timeframes below for our "target issuance date"—when you can expect a decision on your application, and an "initial comments due" date—when you can expect to receive initial review comments from us.

	Initial Comments		
Permit Type	Due:	Target Issuance Date:	
Binding Site Plan	4 weeks	150 days	
Critical Area Determination—Administrative	3 weeks	60 days	
Critical Area Review—Type 1	3 weeks	120 days	
Land Use Review—Type 1	3 weeks	120 days	
Land Use Review—Type 2	3 weeks	120 days	
Land Use Review—Type 3	3 weeks	150 days	
Lot Line Adjustment	2 weeks	30 days	
Short Plat, Preliminary	3 weeks	120 days	
Short Plat, Final	2 weeks	Varies, depending on when submitted	
Subdivision, Preliminary	4 weeks	180 days	
Subdivision, Final	2 weeks	Varies, depending on when submitted	
SEPA Determination	3 weeks	60 days	
Shoreline Permits	3 weeks	120 days	
Shoreline Exemption	2 weeks	30 days	

The following types of permit applications are exempt from the requirements of BMC 19.65.050. The City of Burien has established the following goals for issuance of a decision on the following permits.

Permit Type	Comments Due on	Comments Due	Target Issuance
	Initial Submittals	on Resubmittals	Date:
Permits Requiring Plan Review: Building, Clearing			
& Grading, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical			
Single-family, new	4 weeks	4 weeks	6 weeks
Single-family, addition	3 weeks	3 weeks	6 weeks
Single-family, remodel	2 weeks	2 weeks	4 weeks
Multi-family/commercial, new	6 weeks	6 weeks	10 weeks
Multi-family/commercial, addition	4 weeks	4 weeks	8 weeks
Multi-family/commercial, remodel or tenant	3 weeks	3 weeks	6 weeks
improvement			
Sign permits	1 week	1 week	2 weeks
Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical permits—	Same day	Same day	Same day
plan review not required			
Right-of-Way or Street Use permits	2 weeks	2 weeks	3 weeks